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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 8, 2005, Applicants request that the following amendments be entered. Reconsideration of the application in amended form is respectfully requested.